

## Health Update:

### Sanofi Pasteur Monovalent 2009 (H1N1) Influenza Vaccine in Pre-Filled Syringes- Shortened Shelf Life of Certain Lots

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**SUBJECT: Sanofi Pasteur Monovalent 2009 (H1N1) Influenza Vaccine in Pre-Filled Syringes- Shortened Shelf Life of Certain Lots**

#### Summary

Sanofi Pasteur has notified CDC and FDA that some lots of monovalent 2009 (H1N1) influenza vaccine in pre-filled syringes will have a shorter expiration period than indicated on the label. The lots of Sanofi Pasteur monovalent 2009 H1N1 influenza vaccine in pre-filled syringes should be used by February 15, 2010, as indicated in the table below regardless of the expiration imprinted on the package. This is to ensure that the vaccine is used while it remains within its potency specification. There are no safety concerns with these lots of 2009 H1N1 vaccine. People who received vaccine from the lots listed below with shortened shelf life do not need to take any action.

#### Background

As part of its quality assurance program, Sanofi Pasteur performs routine, ongoing stability testing of the vaccine after it has been shipped to providers. Stability testing means measuring the strength of a vaccine over time.

The 50 lots subject to this change in expiration date include approximately 12 million doses. These lots were shipped to providers between November 2009 and January 2010. Although these lots remain potent, they are losing their potency more rapidly than expected, and therefore the shelf life is being shortened. While **most of the doses from these lots are believed to have already been administered**, there are almost certainly some doses that have not yet been used.

The change in expiration date described here is specific to the 50 lots of Sanofi Pasteur 2009 H1N1 influenza vaccine in pre-filled syringes listed below. However, a related recall (See <http://www2a.cdc.gov/HAN/ArchiveSys/ViewMsgV.asp?AlertNum=00306>) was conducted recently, which involved lots from Sanofi Pasteur's 2009 H1N1 vaccine in 0.25 mL and 0.5 mL pre-filled syringes. These actions do not affect Sanofi Pasteur's 2009 H1N1 vaccine in multi-dose vials.

Sanofi Pasteur will send a notification to providers who received doses from any of the 50 lots of vaccine described below.

#### Lot Information

**These lots should be used by February 15, 2010, as indicated in the table below regardless of the expiration date imprinted on the package.**

All pre-filled syringes that have not been used by February 15, 2010 should be discarded in an appropriate manner, or you may return the product for destruction to Sanofi Pasteur Inc., c/o Capital Returns at 6101 N. 64<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee, WI 53218

**For More Information:** CDC's toll-free information line, 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636) TTY: (888) 232-6348, is available 24 hours a day, every day. For other inquiries, please contact Sanofi Pasteur Customer Services: 1-800-VACCINE (1-800-822-2463) or visit [www.vaccineshoppe.com](http://www.vaccineshoppe.com)

**Influenza A (H1N1) 2009 Monovalent Vaccine in Pre-Filled Syringes  
Expiration Date Change**

Product Code (NDC)	Description	Lot Number	Labeled Expiration Date	Re-Assigned Expiration Date	
49281-650-25	0.25mL Syringes	UT014AA	March 4, 2011	February 15, 2010	
		in 10-packs	UT014BA	March 4, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT014CA	March 4, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT014DA	March 4, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT014FA	March 27, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT014EA	March 25, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT029DA	April 7, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT029BA	April 6, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT029CA	April 6, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT029EA	April 8, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT030EA	April 10, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT030FA	April 11, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT033CA	April 12, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT033DA	April 12, 2011	February 15, 2010
	49281-650-50	0.5mL Syringes	UP033CA	April 16, 2011	February 15, 2010
			in 10-packs	UP036CA	April 19, 2011
			UP034BB	April 22, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP036EA	May 3, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP037CA	April 30, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP037DA	May 2, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP048CA	May 6, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP040CA	May 4, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP048DA	May 9, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP049FA	May 16, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP049CA	May 11, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP049DA	May 13, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP035BA	April 15, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP059DA	May 16, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP060CA	May 17, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP060DA	May 19, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT047BA	May 11, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP033AB	April 9, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP041BA	April 30, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT041AA	April 29, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT034AA	April 19, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT045BA	May 5, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP061DA	May 21, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP061FA	May 23, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UP035AA	April 12, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT048BA	May 12, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT058BA	May 16, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT059AA	May 18, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT058AA	May 14, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT061GA	May 24, 2011	February 15, 2010
		UP045EA	June 9, 2011	February 15, 2010	
49281-650-90	0.5mL Syringes	UT036DA	April 26, 2011	February 15, 2010	
		in 25-packs	UT040BA	April 28, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT047AA	May 9, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT046BA	May 9, 2011	February 15, 2010
			UT046AA	May 4, 2011	February 15, 2010